offering of institutional health service not provided in the previous 12-month reporting period or the incurring of a financial obligation in relation to the offering of such a service.

'Diagnostic center' means a freestanding facility, program, (7a) or provider, including but not limited to, physicians' offices, clinical laboratories, radiology centers, and mobile diagnostic programs, in which the total cost of all the medical diagnostic equipment utilized by the facility which cost ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more exceeds five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). In determining whether the medical diagnostic equipment in a diagnostic center costs more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), the costs of the equipment, studies, surveys, plans, working drawings, specifications, designs. construction, installation, and other activities essential to acquiring and making operational the equipment shall be included. The capital expenditure for the equipment shall be deemed to be the fair market value of the equipment or the cost of the equipment, whichever is greater.

(7b) 'Expedited review' means the status given to an application's review process when the applicant petitions for the review and the Department approves the request based

on findings that all of the following are met:

a. The review is not competitive.

b. The proposed capital expenditure is less than five million dollars (\$5,000,000).

c. A request for a public hearing is not received within the

time frame defined in G.S. 131E-185.

d. The agency has not determined that a public hearing is

in the public interest.

(7c) 'Gamma knife' means equipment which emits photon beams from a stationary radioactive cobalt source to treat lesions deep within the brain and is one type of stereotactic radiosurgery.

(8),(9) Repealed by Session Laws 1987, c. 511, s. 1.

(9a) 'Health service' means an organized, interrelated medical, diagnostic, therapeutic, and/or rehabilitative activity that is integral to the prevention of disease or the clinical management of a sick, injured, or disabled person. 'Health service' does not include administrative and other activities that are not integral to clinical management.

(9b) 'Health service facility' means a hospital; psychiatric facility; rehabilitation facility; long term care facility;